Companies to co-operate with them in exporting Textiles and Garments in value added form to avoid quota restrictions;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what is the response of the Indian Companies in the Matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (c) Ministry of Textiles have no information on the reported advice of Swedish businessmen to Indian Companies. Further, exports of Textiles and Garments from India to Sweden are not subject to any quota restrictions.

Man-days Lost in Textile Industry

3831. SHRI RAM RATAN RAM: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) how many man-days were lost in the textile industry due to labour strikes in the year 1992-93; and

(b) what were the reasons of each strike?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) Man-days lost due to strikes in the textile industry (cotton, textiles, wool, silk & synthetic textiles, jute hemp & mesta textiles, textile products) in 1992 was 10.64 million (provisional) and in 1993 (January to May) was 0.54 million (provisional).

(b) The main reasons for these strikes were wages and allowances, bonus, personnel retrenchment, indiscipline and violence, etc.

जनता कपड़े की घटती मांग

3832. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव**: क्या **वस्त्र** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि जनता कपड़े की मांग कम होती जा रही है,

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है, और

(ग) 1991-92 तथा 1992-93 के वर्षों के दौरान जनता कपड़े की कितनी मांग थी तथा उक्त अवधि के दौरान इसकी कितनी आपूर्ति की गई ?

वस्त्र मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जी० वेंकट स्वामी) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) और (ग) जनता कपड़े का उत्पादन ऐसे कपड़े की मांग के अनुरूप किया जाता है। वर्ष 1991-92 और 1992-93 के दौरान वितरित किये गये जनता कपड़े की मात्रा क्रमश: 401.89 मिलियन वर्ग मीटर और 341.07 (अनुमानित) मिलियन वर्ग मीटर थी।

Setting up of jute goods export support fund by Bangladesh

3833. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL:

SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:

DR. SANJAYA SINH:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bangladesh has set-up a jute goods export support fund;

(b) if so, what are the implications involved in so far as country's jute goods exports are concerned; and

(c) the manner in which Government propose to move in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (c) It is understood that no firm decision has been taken as yet by the Government of Bangladesh to set up a fund to compensate for losses incurred on export of jute